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IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the abstract as follows:

--A transcutaneous portal arrangement comprises including a portal body (1) that includes having a bottom wall (7) which has with a through-passing opening or transit (8) for accommodating a catheter. A (9), a tubular element (10) that fits in the portal body includes an end-portion (11) which is inserted into the end-portion (11) of the catheter. A (9), and clamping means (5, 38, 61, 62) for clamping structure clamps the end-portion of the tubular element (10) against said the bottom wall around said the through-passing opening, such as so as to sealingly clamp the outer wall and the inner wall of the catheter around the edge of the opening (8) and around the periphery of the tubular element, respectively.--